



FOOTNOTES

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Dear Friends,

Since my mother turned 101, I've been thinking about the huge changes that have occurred in her lifetime. She grew up in a house built by her grandfather (imagine having to build your own house!). They had an outhouse, no telephone, no electricity and thus no refrigerator. The spring house, still part of the property, sent a stream of cold water down a concrete trough where food was stored in large pottery crocks. They had no automobile. They had oil lamps and traveled on in a horse and buggy, or by train, to go into town.

They raised most of their food. They had bees for honey, chickens, corn, wheat, vegetables, berries, pigs, cows for milk and butter, a small apple orchard up the hill. When they walked in the fields, they always carried a sturdy stick lest they encounter a local rattlesnake.

There had been no great flu epidemic of 1918 or HIV/AIDS. The first safe antibiotics were invented in 1945. World War I or II, let alone Korea, Vietnam, or the Middle East wars had not happened. William Howard Taft, a Republican, was president.

Just a few years before she was born, the Wright brothers' plane flew 6.8 mph. (By contrast, earlier wagon trains traveled 2-20 miles a day, depending on weight and terrain.) Everything has picked up speed since then. It's sometimes said, that the only thing that is constant is change. In nature, things typically adapt to changes in their environment or they die off.

American church and society are undergoing huge changes. But, really, that's not new, though the pace has increased. The first Norwegian Lutheran immigrants joined with other Norwegians in other cities to form synods, as did the Danes, the Swedes and other nationality-based groups. Gradually, mergers occurred, and congregations are often a mix of races and ethnicities, languages and cultures from all over the world.

As CTS looks toward its next decade, we need to think seriously about what sort of changes might be necessary for this congregation to continue its ministry. The alternative is to let external events make the decision for us.

While everything around us changes, there are some things that remain constant – the love of God that we witness in the words and ministry of Jesus; the care, teaching and service that are characteristic of CTS; and our ability to think imaginatively about the changes that we can embrace without losing our identity, and that will strengthen our ministry for decades to come.

Peace,
Pastor Hoehn



February Prayer Concerns

Bob Andersen
Jim Austin
Jean Bonald
Hazel Britton
Stanley Britton
Donna Clagett
Bob Clinger
Margaret Condon
Mary Fitzwater
Sam Gates
Dave Gearing
Dorothy Gerald
Ted Halverson
Denyce Hansch
Nancy Lang
Tim Larkin
David Lashof
Barbara Lashof
Margaret Lipe
Thomas Lipe
Lauren Sue Masoero
Pastor John Muller
Sheryl Navarrete
Althea Nottingham
Joyce Pacheli
Ron Pacheli
Ingse Petersen
Lorna Pool
Annie Pressley
Jane Rhine
Nida Saavedra
Jane Schoch
John Springer
Nancy Springer
Alicia Tubman
Orlanda Vela
Mike
Caroline
Lezlie
Sabaha



Bible Study

Feeling that Bible study is an integral part of our Christian faith journey together, I'd like to invite you to join in a new Bible study opportunity at Christ the Servant.

Tuesdays at noon in the church parlor Pastor Hoehn is leading a discussion on the lessons for the worship service two Sundays from then. This follows the pastors' study that morning on the same topic. You may prepare by reading the lectionary as listed in *Footnotes*. The study continues through the month of February until the start of Lent.

Lay-led Bible study to be determined, depending on interest. Topic? Time? Place? You decide.

If you are interested in attending a Bible study other than the Tuesday group, please contact Connie Graf (cqgraf@yahoo.com or 301 253-5180) to express your interest and to offer suggestions.

February Koinonia Meetings

Mark your calendar for your February Koinonia meeting. Planned topics include an update on the call committee process and reports from council on mission and outreach discernment. If you can't make your regular session, just let another host know and attend one that works for your schedule.

Saturday, February 11, 8:00 pm, Eater home
Monday, February 20, 7:30 pm, Backus home
Friday, February 17, 8:00 pm, Harner-Kerlavage home
Saturday, March 3, 3:00 pm, Eastlack home



A Great Excuse to Eat Out

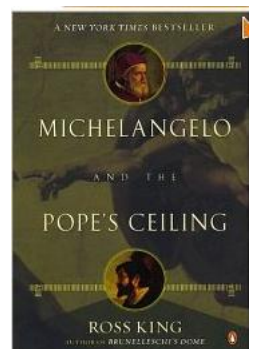
If you need a good excuse to eat out, then February 28 is your day to eat out for a good cause.



Thanksgiving in February is sponsored by Interfaith Works, and a portion of participating restaurants' proceeds goes to feed the hungry in Montgomery County. A list of restaurants will be available in flyers at CTS as well as at www.thanksgivinginfebruary.org. Eat out twice: lunch and dinner! You can go out on your own or with a group from CTS. Eat well and help others

Book Club in February

Join us at 7 pm in the Parlor on February 26 for a discussion of Ross King's, "Michelangelo and the Pope's Ceiling." Publisher's Weekly said, "King re-creates Michelangelo's day-to-day world: the assistants who worked directly on the Sistine Chapel, the continuing rivalry with Raphael and the figures who had much to do with his world if not his art (da Vinci, Savonarola, Ariosto, Machiavelli, Martin Luther, Erasmus), including the steely Julius II. King makes the familiar fresh, reminding the reader of the "novelty" of Michelangelo's image of God and how "completely unheard of in previous depictions of the ancestors of Christ" was his use of women."



Readings for February

February 2

Presentation of our Lord

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 8

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40

February 5

5th Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

February 12

6th Sunday after Epiphany

2 Kings 5:1-14

Psalm 30

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Mark 1:40-45

February 19

Transfiguration of our Lord

Last Sunday after Epiphany

2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6 (2)

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Mark 9:2-9

February 22

Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Psalm 51:1-17

2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 26

First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15



Lent/Easter Offering

The Council has designated the special Lent/Easter offerings to be split between Gaithersburg HELP and the Lamb Center. Gaithersburg HELP provides emergency assistance with food, infant needs, transportation, and prescriptions to those in Gaithersburg. Our congregation has long been an active supporter of Gaithersburg HELP through our weekly food collections and through both financial and volunteer support. The Lamb Center is a daytime drop-in center for the poor and homeless in Fairfax County, Virginia. It too has long been supported by our congregation, primarily through the efforts of Dave Larrabee, who is the Lamb Center's Director of Operations.



Help Feed the Women at the Community Based Shelter! New and Experienced Volunteers Needed

By the time you read this, Shelter Week will be days away. We will be providing food for breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Community Based Shelter in Rockville from Feb 5-11, 2012. Please help out if you can by signing up on any empty lines on the signup sheets in the hall. If you can provide food but can't get it to Rockville, transportation can be arranged for the food. If you have never participated, sign up with an experienced volunteer.



A big thank you in advance to those of you who have already signed up. Plan on serving 35 women for each meal. A more exact count will be provided a few days before. If you run into any problem at the shelter, need to make any changes in plans, or have any questions, please call Dave Larrabee at (703-963-7496) or email me at larrabeev@comcast.net

Prepared dinners need to be set up by 6:30, and lunches need to be delivered the night before your assigned day.

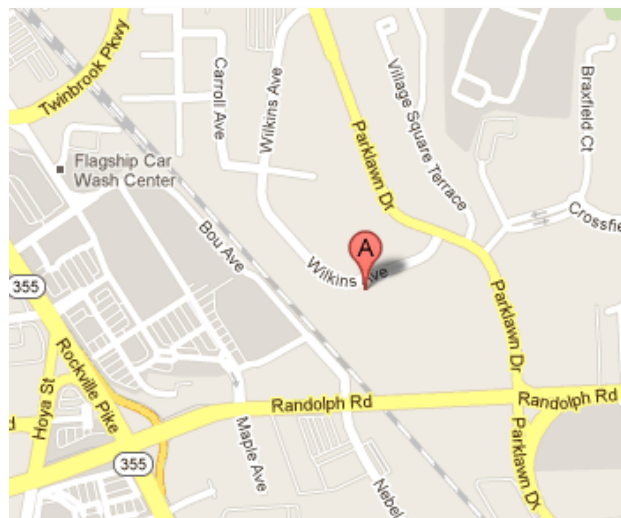
Directions to Community Based Shelter, 12250 Wilkins Ave, Rockville, MD (301-770-2413)

Via I270 (South)

Take Montrose Road Exit (East). Cross over Rt. 355. Left on Parklawn Drive. Left on Wilkins Avenue. Shelter is on left.

Via Rt. 355 (South)

Left on Twinbrook Parkway. Right on Parklawn Drive. Right on Wilkins Avenue. Shelter is on right.



Happy February Birthdays

Pat Huson	2/1
Aaron Eastlack	2/9
McKenzie Welter	2/11
Hailey Welter	2/11
Cristina Stern	2/12
Andrew Dodge	2/12
Valerie Mayer	2/13
Erin Dodge	2/15
Heather Welter	2/16

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Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 21

6 – 8 PM

Pancakes

Sausage

Applesauce

Juice and Milk

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Donations will support CTS
Youth Ministry Programs



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Forest Oaks Film Buffs

Presents

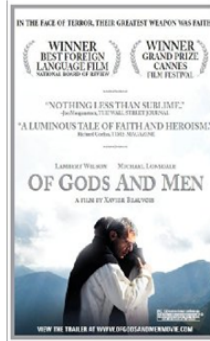
Of Gods and Men (2010)

Directed by: Xavier Beauvois

When: **Sunday, Feb 19, 5:30 p.m.**

Where: **CTS Parlor**

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Under threat by fundamentalist terrorists, a group of French Trappist monks stationed in an impoverished Algerian community must decide whether to leave or stay.

Winner, Grand Jury Prize—Cannes Film Festival 2010

Souper Bowl of Caring

On Sunday, February 5, 130 million

people all over the world will

tune in to the Super Bowl

football game. There will be

parties with abundant food,

friendship and fellowship. In fact,

it is the second-largest day for

U.S. food consumption, after

Thanksgiving Day. At the same

time, there will be people worrying about clothing their families,

looking for shelter and hoping for a warm meal. CTS youth will join

tens of thousands of other youth around the country to demonstrate

God's love by loving our neighbors through a different kind of bowl,

the Souper Bowl of Caring, and we invite you to join us!



It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. We will provide soup pots during the offering to collect money and cans of stew or soup for those who are hungry and hurting. In 2011, groups participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring raised over \$9.5 million. Since the Souper Bowl of Caring began in 1990, over \$81 million has been given to help those in need.

CTS has participated since 2001 and during this time, we have donated \$1001 and 610 food items to Gaithersburg Help through our Souper Bowl collections. Please help us continue to "love our neighbors" by dropping a dollar - or \$2 or \$5 - and a can of stew or soup into the soup pot!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2012

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Faith Talk: Confirmation at Home: This Spring we will be studying The Ten Commandments. In January we started with the first and the second; now we're up to the third and fourth: III. *Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy*; IV. *Honor your father and mother*. My holy times with God are ...; My favorite Sabbath activity (the most relaxing thing I do) is ...; The things I like best about my mother/father are ...; The hardest part of my relationship with my mother/father is ...; Something I won't do (or thought I wouldn't do) as a parent is ... because ...; Three things that would make every parent in the world a better parent are ... (Reminder: Luther's Small Catechism with his explanation of The Ten Commandments can be found in the back of the ELW hymnal).

February Activities and Events

In addition to Christian Education every Sunday at 9:50 AM

30-Hour Fast Roaring Sheep Rehearsal

Fri, Feb 3; 6:00 PM - Sat, Feb 4; 6:00 PM / CTS

This is the 6th year we will participate in a hunger awareness program where we go without food for 30 hours to get a taste of true hunger. We start our fast individually on Friday after lunch and then come together that evening at CTS beginning at 6 PM for some learning and some fellowship. Bring your sleeping bags and pillows, pajamas, clothing for Saturday (a CTS t-shirt), and toiletries. We will spend Saturday morning in service to others at the Lamb Center in Fairfax, VA and Saturday afternoon rehearsing for singing at worship for Souper Bowl Sunday. We will break our fast Saturday evening with a simple meal together.

Lamb Center

Sat, Feb 5; 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM

As part of our 30-Hour Fast, we will spend this morning in service to others at the Lamb Center. If you can't join us for the whole fast, please join us for this. Mentors are welcome to join us, too!

Roaring Sheep Rehearsal

Sat, Feb 5; 4:00 PM

Rehearsal for providing music for worship on Sunday! Followed by ...

Youth Koinonia

Sat, Feb 5; 5:00 / CTS

We will break our fast together. Even if you couldn't join us for the fast, please join us for dinner and fellowship following rehearsal!

Souper Bowl Sunday

Sun, Feb 5 / CTS

We will be offering music during the 11:00 worship service and collecting cans of soup and donations for Gaithersburg Help at both services.

Dinner at Community-Based Shelter (Youth)

Sun, Feb 5 / Meet at CTS at ~5:00 PM to carpool

In the afternoon, we will leave from CTS to travel to Rockville where we will share a meal with the residents.

Dinner at Community-Based Shelter (Young Adults)

Mon, Feb 6

Watch your email for details regarding what we're serving and when / where to meet!

Extravaganza (ELCA Youth Ministry Network conference)

Tue, Feb 7 - Sun, Feb 12 / New Orleans, LA

Barbara and Tony will be attending this annual national conference for adults working / volunteering in YM in the ELCA.

Family Fun Night - Where in the World...?

Sat, Feb 18 / CTS

Come play with your CTS family and friends before Lent begins! Look for details elsewhere in Footnotes or listen for announcements!

cwts Meeting

Sun, Feb 19; 12:45 - 3:30 PM / CTS

This is the 6th meeting for those participating in the Gathering next summer. *Assignment for this meeting:* Visit the website (www.neworleanscvb.com/2012elcayouthgathering/). In your journal, list two or three things you'd like us to do and a restaurant (or two) you'd like to eat at and for each, explain why.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tue, Feb 21 / CTS

We need ALL youth (and some parents!) to help with this event - set-up, cooking, serving, clean-up. We also need pancake griddles - let me know if you have one we can borrow. We will begin setting up about 5:00, cook and serve from 6:00 to 8:00, and will be finished with cleanup before 9:00 if everyone helps. This is an important Youth Ministry event - we need everyone's help to make it a success!

Ash Wednesday Service

Wed, Feb 22; 7:30 PM / CTS

Thanksgiving in February

Tue, Feb 28 / TBD

Enjoy an evening of food and fellowship in support of this annual event. Watch your email / listen to announcements for details of place and time!

Upcoming Activities

Add these dates to your calendars so you can join us!

cwts Meeting

Sun, Mar 11; 12:45 - 3:30 PM / CTS

Shekinah: Metro DC Synod retreat for Confirmation youth.

Fri, Mar 16 - Sun, Mar 18 / Front Royal, VA

Registration forms due February 12th!

cwts Meeting (April Meeting)

Sun, Mar 25; 12:45 - 3:30 PM / CTS

Spring Confirmation Retreat - Session 1

Sun, Apr 15; 12:45 - 3:30 PM / CTS

All confirmands and their parents are invited / expected as we review details of the retreat and cover the first session's material in preparation for the retreat.

Spring Confirmation Retreat: The Ten Commandments

Fri, Apr 20 - Sun, Apr 22 / Mar-Lu-Ridge

cwts Meeting

Sun, May 20; 12:45 - 3:30 PM / CTS

Pentecost / Affirmation of Baptism

Sun, May 27; 9:30 AM / CTS

cwts Meeting

Sun, Jun 3; 12:45 - 3:30 PM / CTS

De-Rally Day

Sun, Jun 10; 9:30 AM / CTS

Chi Rho 2012

Sun, Jul 1 - Sat, Jul 7

2012 ELCA Youth Gathering: citizens with the saints

MYLE: *Mon, Jul 16 - Wed, Jul 18*

Gathering: *Wed, Jul 18 - Sun, Jul 22*

**Questions? Please contact Barbara Harner, Director of Youth and Family Ministry - C: 240-354-1999
(H-K: activities at the Harner-Kerlavage home; CTS: activities at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church)**

Christ The Servant, Community, CTS Youth Ministry

Feb 2012 (Eastern Time)

For the most up-to-date calendar, see the CTS web site at www.ctslutheranelca.org

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 8:30am - Matins 9:50am - Christian Education 11am - Holy Communion 7pm - Book Club	30 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 7:30pm - Evening Prayer	31 8:30am - Pastors' Bible Study 10:30am - Conversational 12pm - Bible Study @ CTS Parlor 6pm - Open AA - Starting Over 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Women's AA - Moving	1 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 6pm - Open AA - Village Idiots 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Open NA - Never Alone	2 7pm - Brownies @ Classrooms 7:30pm - Holy Communion	3 30 Hour East @ CTS 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 8:30pm - Evening Prayer 7pm - Ethiopian Bible Study @	4 8am - Lamb Center 4pm - Roaring Sheep Rehearsal 8pm - Youth Koinonia @ CTS
5 CTIS Shelter Week Soup & Bowl Sunday 8:30am - Holy Communion 9:50am - Christian Education 11am - Holy Communion 8pm - Youth Shelter Dinner	6 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 5pm - Young Adults Shelter 7:30pm - Evening Prayer	7 8:30am - Pastors' Bible Study 10:30am - Conversational 12pm - Bible Study @ CTS Parlor 6pm - Open AA - Starting Over 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Outreach Committee 7:30pm - Women's AA - Moving	8 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 6pm - Open AA - Village Idiots 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Open NA - Never Alone	9 7pm - Brownies @ Classrooms 7pm - Evening Prayer	10 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 8:30pm - Evening Prayer 7pm - Ethiopian Bible Study @	11 8pm - Koinonia @ Ester Home
12 8:30am - Matins 9:50am - Christian Education 11am - Holy Communion	13 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 7pm - Girl Scouts @ Classrooms 7:30pm - Evening Prayer 8pm - Parish Council	14 8:30am - Pastors' Bible Study 10:30am - Conversational 12pm - Bible Study @ CTS Parlor 6pm - Open AA - Starting Over 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Women's AA - Moving	15 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 6pm - Open AA - Village Idiots 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Open NA - Never Alone	16 7pm - Brownies @ Classrooms 7pm - Evening Prayer	17 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 8:30pm - Evening Prayer 7pm - Ethiopian Bible Study @ 8pm - Koinonia @ Harner	18 Fun Night @ CTS
19 Footnotes Deadline 8:30am - Holy Communion 9:50am - Christian Education 11am - Festival Eucharist 12:45pm - cwtis Meeting 5:30pm - Film Buffs	20 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 7:30pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Koinonia @ Backus	21 8:30am - Pastors' Bible Study 10:30am - Conversational 12pm - Bible Study @ CTS Parlor 6pm - Open AA - Starting Over 8pm - Shrove Tuesday Pancake 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Women's AA - Moving	22 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 6pm - Open AA - Village Idiots 7:30pm - Holy Communion and 7:30pm - Open NA - Never Alone	23 7pm - Brownies @ Classrooms 7pm - Evening Prayer	24 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 8:30pm - Evening Prayer 7pm - Ethiopian Bible Study @	25 9am - Council Retreat
26 8:30am - Matins 9:50am - Christian Education 11am - Holy Communion 7pm - Book Club	27 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 7pm - Girl Scouts @ Classrooms 7:30pm - Evening Prayer 8pm - Worship Committee	28 Thanksgiving in February 8:30am - Pastors' Bible Study 10:30am - Conversational 6pm - Open AA - Starting Over 7pm - Evening Prayer 7:30pm - Women's AA - Moving	29 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 6pm - Open AA - Village Idiots 6:30pm - Soup Supper 7:30pm - Lenten Vespers 7:30pm - Open NA - Never Alone	1 7pm - Brownies @ Classrooms 7pm - Evening Prayer	2 12pm - Open NA - Freedom In 8:30pm - Evening Prayer 7pm - Ethiopian Bible Study @	3 3pm - Koinonia @ Eastlark Home